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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Respectfully submitted,

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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 30, 2002, Applicant elects:

#### **Invention II: "Device" Claims 8-20**

This election is made to expedite prosecution, and no admission is made concerning the patentability of one set of claims over another. Prompt and favorable examination on the merits of Claims 8-20 is respectfully requested.

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